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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Examiner had identified 4 inventions in the patent application:

Species 1, shown in Figures 2A and 2B;

Species 2, shown in Figure 3;

Species 3, shown in Figure 4; and

Species 4, shown in Figure 5.

Applicant provisionally elects Species 1, shown in Figures 2A and 2B with traverse. Claims 1 through 6 are readable thereon. Applicant has further amended claim 17 to correct a typographical error.

Applicant's invention is an integrated delivery device comprising a first section comprising a rounded end and a cylindrical protrusion in an opposite end wherein a small quantity of viscous fluid is disposed within said cylindrical protrusion and a second section comprising a rounded end and a recess that approximates the cylindrical protrusion of the first section with a matching protrusion that engages a hole at the center of the cylindrical protrusion of the first section wherein the matching protrusion has a small channel through its length that will direct the viscous fluid from the first section into and out of the second section. When the first section and the second section are urged toward each other, the viscous fluid will be extracted from the integrated delivery device for application.

Species 2, shown in figure 3, identified by the examiner is simply the embodiment of applicant's invention shown in figures 1, 2A, and 2B viewed upside-down and with the excess outside layer removed. Species 3, shown in figure 4, identified by the examiner, likewise is simply another embodiment of applicant's invention shown in figures 1, 2A, and 2B. The

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concave recess in this embodiment is similar to the recess in the cylindrical protrusion in figures 1, 2A, and 2B. The main difference between this embodiment and the embodiment shown in figures 1, 2A, and 2B is that the recess is shallower in this embodiment than the recess in figures 1, 2A, and 2B. Figure 5 is also the same invention as shown in figures 1, 2A, and 2B. The difference being that the exterior shape of the device is a cylinder instead of a generally spherical shape. Otherwise, they both enclose a small quantity of fluid in a cylindrical section and the fluid is extracted through a small channel when a second section in inserted into the cylindrical section. Therefore, the restriction/election requirement is improper.

Applicant respectfully requests that the restriction requirement be reconsidered and withdrawn and a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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